



ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 9, 2017

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Cotton squaring was at 82 percent complete, setting bolls was at 40 percent complete, and bolls opening was 5 percent complete, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Durum wheat harvested for grain was 89 percent complete and barley harvested was 90 percent complete. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to excellent. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to fair, depending on location last week, with harvesting taking place on almost 90 percent of the alfalfa acreage across the State. Last week, Central Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, mixed melons, and seedless watermelons. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, mixed melons, and seedless watermelons. Pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to good. Forage and water tanks have been drying rapidly in the Northwestern part of the State. All but 4 of the 51 weather stations reported above normal temperatures last week, ranging from 2 degrees below normal to 10 degrees above normal across the entire State. Temperatures ranged from a low of 37 degrees at Springerville to a high of 121 degrees at Bullhead City. The least amount of precipitation was reported at Teec Nos Pos at 0.01 inches, and the most precipitation was reported at Nogales at 2.87 inches. Teec Nos Pos year to date precipitation was the highest percent of normal in the State, while Sahuarita was the driest.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley				
Harvested for Grain.....	90	87	84	NA
Cotton				
Squaring.....	82	75	84	83
Setting Bolls.....	40	30	39	38
Bolls Opening.....	5	NA	--	--
Durum Wheat				
Harvested for Grain	89	84	79	NA

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork.....	7.0	7.0	7.0	NA
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	--	3	2	NA
Short	14	13	29	NA
Adequate	86	84	65	NA
Surplus	--	--	4	NA
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	--	3	15	NA
Short	14	13	14	NA
Adequate	86	84	69	NA
Surplus	--	--	2	NA

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor.....	1	--	4	3
Poor	6	3	1	2
Fair	26	17	11	18
Good	42	46	50	45
Excellent.....	25	34	34	32
Cotton				
Very poor.....	--	--	5	2
Poor	2	2	--	2
Fair	11	11	3	14
Good	67	72	55	48
Excellent.....	20	15	37	34
Pasture and range				
Very poor.....	21	12	15	35
Poor	22	22	14	18
Fair	26	24	41	28
Good	25	29	27	17
Excellent.....	6	13	3	2

NA – not available

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Arizona's weather data can be accessed at the following:

http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics_by_State/Arizona/Publications/Crop_Progress_&_Condition/2017/AZ_Weather_07092017.pdf